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 Fulfill Production Targets

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1. Polish coal production in the first six months of 1954 was 44,123,000 tons, which is running considerably below the target figure for the whole of 1954 of 93,000,000.
2. It is not expected that the actual figure of coal production in 1955 will exceed 95 million.
3. Some reasons for coal production falling below the target aimed at are:
 - a. Dissatisfaction among the miners with the norms.
 - b. Recent introduction of daily plan fulfillment targets which inevitably upsets production.
4. In order to improve production, armed forces and forced labor personnel are being employed in the mines. In a recent Polish mine disaster the figures of casualties were in fact twice as large as those published since these did not include the soldiers nor the prisoners.

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